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TITLE: Backup system for computer network incorporating opportunistic backup by prioritizing least recently backed up computer or computer storage medium

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## ABSTRACT:

A backup system is operated in accordance with a server or intelligent storage data controller containing a pre-written script governing a backup protocol. This script designates the possible source of data for backup that could become visible on the network and the possible storage sets that may be available in the storage repository. Preferably, the script also contains a timetable for when the script should be active, and wrap up interval of time for intelligently terminating a particular backup operation. In operation, the total number of accessible data sources (usually computers) and the total number of storage media destinations (for example available tapes mounted in tape drives) are generated to list possible source to storage paths. Utilizing the script, the possible source to storage paths are prioritized with the least recently backed up source as dated by the available media having first priority for backup. Once prioritization has occurred, backup is initiated in the order of prioritization to the first available of the designated source to storage media paths. This designation of source to media available paths continues down through the prioritized source to storage paths, initiating backup when the source and media are available. As each backup is completed, a new prioritization of source to media paths occurs responsive to location of the last backed up source, with backup occurring on the first available source to media path. Scripts can be tailored to prioritize backups dependent upon time of day. There results a fully automated backup which once programmed does not require constant supervisor monitoring.

17 Claims, 8 Drawing figures

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## ABSTRACT:

The present invention, generally speaking, provides a method of synchronizing information between a plurality of sites and a central location that solves number of potentially "thorny" problems of distributed database systems in an elegant and efficient manner. The first issue involves synchronizing different copies of an item on machines that are not continuously linked at which each copy may be changed independently. Rather than attempting to formulate a set of synchronization policies generally applicable to all items in all instances, synchronization policies are moved from the database engine to the items themselves. The second issue involves lifetime--knowing, given a complex set of interrelationship of items, when an item may be safely deleted. This problem is addressed by providing an interested party mechanism whereby items may "express interest" in each other. When no item is interested in a particular item, that item may safely "go away".

11 Claims, 15 Drawing figures